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OLG brand ambassadors Nick Donchev, Shanetel Gowe, and Patricia Roussel offering free play coupons to people in downtown Kinmount. Photo by Mike Baker.

Fleming reiterates commitment to Haliburton campus

By Mike Baker

The Haliburton School of Art + Design (HSAD) has been spared after parent entity, Fleming College, announced widespread program cuts at its Lindsay and Peterborough campuses last week.

President, Maureen Adamson, confirmed April 24 that 29 full-time programs are heading for the scrapheap – 16 in Peterborough and 13 in Lindsay, including several renowned geographic information system (GIS) and environmental courses. This comes after months of uncertainty, with Fleming one of dozens of post-secondary institutions impacted by new restrictions on overseas students.

In January, immigration minister Marc Miller said the federal government will cap the number of international study permits it issues over the next two years. Approximately 360,000 new undergraduate permits will be issued in 2024 – a 35 per cent reduction from last year.

Fleming had around 3,500 international students for the 2023/24 school year, accounting for approximately half the student body. Adamson, in a statement to media, said the cuts were necessary given the college is anticipating a substantial drop in international student numbers come fall.

“The related significant reduction to our budget has had a profound impact on college operations, and we are moving quickly to stabilize our institution and prepare for future years,” Adamson said.

Speaking to *The Highlander* last week, HSAD dean Xavier Masse said the future looks bright for Fleming’s campus in Haliburton.

He confirmed all 10 of its full-time programs will return in the fall, including popular artists blacksmith, glassblowing, ceramics, jewelry making, and fine arts courses. HSAD is also expanding its offerings in continuing education, offering more options for would-be students.

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\$70M lotto ticket sold in Kinmount

By Mike Baker

Minden cottagers Doug and Enid Hannon helped put Kinmount on the map last week after the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) announced the couple as winners of February’s \$70 million Lotto Max jackpot.

The winning ticket was purchased at

the Kinmount Independent Grocer ahead of the Feb. 20 draw. While the couple has declined interviews with media, including *The Highlander*, they shared their story with OLG ahead of the April 25 announcement.

“I was coming home one evening and called my husband and asked if he

wanted me to stop and pick up some lottery tickets – he said ‘no, let’s have supper, and then we need to discuss something.’ I thought to myself ‘uh oh, what have I done,’” Enid said.

Doug had brought up OLG’s homepage and scanned their winning ticket, purchased a few days earlier.

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Minden cottagers Doug and Enid Hannon won \$70 million on Lotto Max after buying a ticket from Kinmount Independent Grocer in February. *Submitted.*

Community bash in Kinmount

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“I said ‘oh, we’ve won \$70,000’ and Doug said, ‘look at it again,’” she added.

Lots of screaming and crying ensued, Enid said. The Hannons kept the news to themselves for weeks before bringing their family into the loop just prior to the public unveiling. They’re planning to share the money “to make sure our family enjoys it,” Doug said.

Enid said she’s planning some family vacations and wants to renovate the kitchen at the couple’s Lakefield home. The Hannons say they have no plans to move.

OLG held a community celebration in Kinmount April 26. Between noon and 3 p.m., company representatives descended upon the main street stretch of County Road 121, offering free lottery coupons to passersby. The company also organized a DJ and coordinated with Gus’ Restaurant for complimentary food.

OLG spokesperson Tony Bismonti confirmed the Hannons win was the biggest of 2024 thus far.

“Obviously, whenever someone wins \$70 million it’s big news, but because it happened in such a small community, we wanted to come out, spread the love, and really celebrate the occasion,” he said. The winners didn’t attend.

The owners of the Kinmount store also received a small bonus, around \$2,000, for selling the winning ticket, Bismonti said.

The maximum payout on all OLG lottery games is \$70 million, though Bismonti teased that will be going up in the fall. He said he wasn’t aware of any other win of this size in Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County.

Yashwanth Putta has owned Kinmount Independent Grocer for about 10 months. He said he took a call from OLG April

22, as he was preparing for a family trip to New Brunswick.

“I didn’t believe it – they said they wanted to come and host this event, but I thought it was all a joke,” Putta said. “But what an incredible thing to happen. There have been other wins at the store before, but nothing like this. It’s definitely once in a lifetime for us.”

His friend, Surya, was the cashier the day the Hannons bought their winning ticket. He remembers it well – one of this past winter’s rare cold spells had engulfed the community, meaning business was slow. He estimates selling about 30 lottery tickets that day.

Once news broke that a winning ticket had been sold in the Kawartha Lakes area, Surya said he had a feeling he’d processed it.

As the days turned into weeks, his confidence subsided. Surya said he’d forgotten all about it when Putta called him last week to break the news. When he found out it was the Hannons who had won, Surya said he was happy.

“They stop in a lot. I saw them a couple of times after they bought that ticket. They came in to buy usual things. They kept the secret,” he said.

Gus Norman, who owns Gus’ Restaurant in town, said this is a great story for Kinmount.

“I had no idea about any of this until last week... seeing someone win \$70 million in a small town like Kinmount, it’s just unheard of. I was talking to a couple of ladies in line for food today and they said they hadn’t seen crowds like this for the [Kinmount fair] parade even. So, to have the community come out like this is incredible,” he said, estimating around 300 people attended the celebration.

“Nobody knew where Kinmount was until the \$70 million ticket was sold, but now everyone knows where Kinmount is,” he added.

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Groups active as ER anniversary approaches

By Lisa Gervais

At the one-year anniversary of news the Minden emergency department would be closing, health care lobbyists are accusing the Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) of a 36 per cent jump in CAO salary last year; have panned the Ontario government budget; and gone to Queen's Park to provide feedback on Bill 180 (the budget).

It was announced April 20 of last year that the ER would be closed effective June 1.

Richard Bradley, of the 'Save Haliburton County Emergency Healthcare Group' issued a media release claiming, "as the Minden emergency department was closed, the Haliburton Highlands Health Services increased CEO pay by 36 per cent in one year, and 62 per cent since 2016, according to the Sunshine List."

The Sunshine List is annual reporting of public servants making \$100,000 or more.

Bradley said his group, and impacted residents, "find the 36 per cent pay increase quite offensive as the CEO of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services is apparently rewarded for failing the County."

The 2023 pay was \$245,351 salary and \$562 benefits for a 36.3 per cent rise from 2022.

No reward

However, HHHS board chair David O'Brien says that isn't the case at all.

O'Brien, on April 26, said the 36 per cent represented unpaid holidays owed to former CEO Carolyn Plummer at the time she left the organization.

"It's very simple why this happened. When Carolyn left, we paid out her unused vacation. She never took a vacation during COVID at all. She couldn't. There was just no time to do it because the hospital was in constant emergency. She had about a dozen or so weeks of vacation to be paid out. That's exactly what it is. Nothing more than that," he said.

Meanwhile, founder of 'Minden Matters and Reopen the Minden ER', Patrick Porzuczek also issued a release.

He said in the recent Ontario budget, "rural communities like Minden have been overlooked, leaving residents without essential healthcare services and



Protestors at MPP Laurie Scott's office last year. *File.*

transportation options to hospitals.

"Despite a four per cent increase in overall healthcare spending, Minden, with a closed emergency room, continues to face significant challenges in accessing necessary medical care and transportation to Haliburton hospital."

He added it has created "a distressing situation" for residents. Porzuczek said it is "particularly worrisome for the elderly and retirees who specifically chose Minden for its proximity to one of the best emergency rooms in rural Ontario."

Minden groups return to Queen's Park

The group went to Queen's Park April 22 to participate in the public hearings on Bill 180. Porzuczek said, "our aim is to advocate for the necessary resources and support our community's desperate needs, extending beyond Minden to the entire catchment area."

When it comes to the four per cent base

hospital funding, O'Brien said HHHS didn't know yet what they will be getting. He added they don't just have Haliburton and Minden hospitals, but also two long-term care homes and community service delivery. He said most long-term care homes are run by municipalities.

"I can't answer the question whether we're going to get four per cent because I don't know where it's going to be applied to." He said HHHS expected to know within a month, and in time for the upcoming AGM.

The *Highlander* also asked about the impact of Bill 124. O'Brien said "the government is paying us but it's coming in chunks. They will make us whole. They have committed to that."

He estimated HHHS' deficit, as of April 26, at approximately \$3-\$3.5 million.

The Minden Paper also appeared before the standing committee on finance and economic affairs regarding Bill 180 (the budget). They discussed their work, as reported in the April 11 *Highlander*.

Spokesperson Jeff Nicholls told the

committee 25 per cent of Ontario hospitals posted a deficit in 2022, and 75 per cent in 2023. He added one health service, however, posted a large surplus and received in the neighbourhood of 24 per cent funding, compared to four elsewhere.

"The funding allocation inequities suggest disparities and necessitate a review of funding processes to ensure fair distribution and a transparent, data-driven approach to meeting each hospital community's needs and concerns while maintaining system integrity," Minden Paper told the committee.

They further panned chronic year-over-year underfunding, Bill 124 hindering recruitment and retention efforts, and forcing a dependence on high-paid agency nursing.

Nicholls added hospital financial reporting, and board meeting minutes, were also inconsistent. The group made recommendations to close those gaps and create standards. They also pointed out what they believe to be "a systemic disregard for community input in healthcare decisions."

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TLDSB to uphold new cell, vape rules

By Mike Baker

While the Ontario government is touting a new “out of sight, out of mind” cell phone policy at schools provincially, Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) says it has had rules in place governing their use for some time.

Education minister Stephen Lecce sent a letter to parents and guardians with children in the public school system April 29, stipulating cell phones be banned from in-class use between kindergarten and Grade 6, and heavily discouraged for students in Grades 7 to 12.

“To help reduce distractions in our schools, starting this September, we are denying cell phone usage during instructional time so that students can focus on getting back to basics and learning foundational skills like reading, writing, and math,” Lecce said.

Younger students are being told to keep phones on silent and out of sight during school time, while those in Grades 7 to 12 are still allowed to use their phones on school property but will have to gain special permission from a teacher for use in the classroom.

Carolynne Bull, TLDSB director of communications, told *The Highlander* TLDSB has had a similar policy in place for several years, through its student code of conduct.

Lecce said the province is also removing social media access from all school networks and devices “to help strengthen in-person relationships, communication, and social-emotional skills.”

Moving forward, he noted report cards



TLDSB said new provincial regulations on cell phone use in the classroom and possessing vape products on school property are already being observed in Haliburton County. *File.*

would also include comments on students’ distraction levels in class.

The ministry is also updating its rules on vaping in schools, with a new zero tolerance policy coming into effect.

“Parents will be immediately informed and vapes will be given up and disposed of,” Lecce said. “There are immediate consequences for students caught in possession of illegal substances.”

Lecce said the province is paying for

schools to install vape detectors to help combat “an alarming rise” in youth vaping. The province is also investing in wrap-around supports for students looking to stop vaping.

The education minister said information on these new policies should start at home.

“To truly change behaviour, we are asking for your support and collaboration to hold conversations at home about the new expectations,” Lecce said.

Bull noted TLDSB will be updating its policies to reflect the changes in the near future.

“The revisions are intended to help foster positive school climates that support the achievement and wellbeing of students in Ontario. This is aligned with the goals outlined in our strategic plan, so any initiative to further our goals is welcomed,” Bull said.

Two arrested for break and enter in Haliburton

Haliburton Highlands OPP and City of Kawartha Lakes/Haliburton Highlands Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU) have made two arrests following an investigation into two reported break and enters in the County of Haliburton.

On April 12, Haliburton Highlands OPP were at a residence in Haliburton and observed property and a vehicle related

to a prior reported break and enter in the Highlands. The vehicle was seized, and a search warrant obtained. This resulted in the recovery of stolen property.

Through the investigation, two people were identified and later arrested. Katlyn Hollands, 32, of Haliburton has been charged with: possession of stolen property under \$5,000 and possession of stolen

property over \$5,000. The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden June 5.

The second person is Joseph Bell, 32, of Peterborough. He has been charged with: possession of stolen property under \$5,000; possession of stolen property over \$5,000; and two counts of fail to comply with probation order. The accused was held for a

bail hearing.

The investigation is ongoing. Police are asking anyone with information, who has not yet spoken to them, to contact Haliburton Highlands OPP at 705-286-1431 or the OPP Provincial Communications Centre at 1-888-310-1122. (*Lisa Gervais*).

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- May 9 – Regular Council Meeting
- May 30 – Regular Council Meeting
- June 13 – Regular Council Meeting
- June 27 – Regular Council Meeting

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Minden taxes to help with infrastructure

By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills taxpayers will begin contributing to an infrastructure levy, as the township moves towards an infrastructure renewal reserve.

Director of finance, Greg Bedard, broke it down for the public, and council, at an April 25 meeting.

Council has endorsed a compounding one per cent levy to be included in the 2025 levy and subsequent years' operating budgets as contribution to the reserve.

Bedard said, "it is widely known municipalities across Ontario struggle with funding to keep their assets in a state of good repair. The Financial Accountability Office of Ontario estimated the municipal infrastructure backlog, as of 2020, to be about \$52 billion. This represents the cost of bringing assets to a state of good repair, but where funding does not exist to do so."

The director said that to combat the backlog, many municipalities have adopted an infrastructure levy.

"This levy represents funding to be used in the short-term and long-term to move forward planned and unplanned infrastructure projects where funding does not otherwise exist." He added the intent is for the levy to be compounding. In other words, the existing infrastructure levy would form part of the next year's base budget, with a new infrastructure levy calculated in addition to

the tax levy, and so on, for each subsequent year.

Bedard said once the township gets its updated asset management plan later this year, it will have a better understanding of its backlog. However, he said the discrepancy was noted during budget decisions. On March 26, council approved the new levy. It represents one per cent of the township's annual tax levy requirement. In 2024, it is \$110,000.

Bedard stressed the levy does not mean the township should stop contributing to other reserves.

"However, balancing financial planning and taxpayer affordability often results in reserve balances that are underfunded. An infrastructure renewal reserve provides the opportunity to fund projects where existing specific purpose reserve balances are inadequate," he said.

He added the availability of uncommitted funding in an infrastructure renewal reserve may increase the township's ability to take advantage of grant funding programs.

"Programs that may benefit the township are often announced with immediate and short application timelines, during which the township must commit to funding its share of the project. The availability of funding in an infrastructure renewal reserve may allow the township to pursue these programs and stretch the township's dollar further without



Infrastructure such as culverts are expensive for townships. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

impacting the tax levy, reprioritizing planned projects, or the planned use of specific or departmental reserves," Bedard said.

Mayor Bob Carter said while the consumer price index (CPI) has dropped down to the three per cent range, that is not the case when it comes to materials and labour associated with infrastructure, and still running around 7.5 per cent.

"So, infrastructure is very difficult to stay

on top of, and it's very difficult to catch up, particularly when you have the 7.5 per cent cost increase each year. I'm sure there's a lot left to do. But this will at least be a start."

Coun. Pam Sayne said the move is key now, "because we haven't found other ways for the province to assist us with the infrastructure costs that are going up across municipalities, as well as the downloading that continues."

Minden under a flood watch as rain continues

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) has issued a flood watch for Minden – until May 3. The MNRF said they are watching the Burnt and Gull rivers.

"Higher than normal water levels and flow conditions exist throughout the area and residents are reminded to keep a close watch on weather conditions, regularly check for updated messages, and exercise caution near fast-moving rivers and streams," the ministry said.

It added that lower-lying portions of known flood-prone areas may be impacted to varying degrees as lake and river levels

start to rise in response to significant precipitation.

The MNRF is further advising people to be cautious around waterbodies and keep an eye on children and pets. The same goes for using forest access roads, as they may become inundated with water, be washed out, and become impassable due to localized flooding.

"Residents that have been affected by high water and flow conditions in the past should continue to take necessary action to protect, and secure any vulnerable property in proximity to rivers and lakes and closely monitor developing conditions and

regularly check for updated messages," the watch statement said.

The ministry is closely monitoring the weather and developing watershed conditions. Further updates will be issued as appropriate, they said. They think the area could get 38-48 mm or rain this week.

Lake levels and river flows within the Black, Burnt, Gull, Severn and Magnetawan watersheds are high, but still within their normal operating ranges for spring. However, lake water levels and river flows in certain areas could reach flood levels as a result of additional predicted rainfall. (Lisa Gervais).



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Minden joins three other townships on MAT

By Lisa Gervais

Minden Hills coun. Pam Sayne – during an April 25 meeting in which the township approved a four per cent municipal accommodation tax (MAT), said it’s not “a tax grab.”

Putting it in “a larger context,” Sayne said, “municipalities cannot run a deficit. This proposal being put forward to us... has to do with making sure we can pay for the things we have to pay for. When we see an increase from the province of what we are responsible for without the money to match that, we’re in a situation where we have to pull the money from somewhere. So, this is not a tax grab. This is saying we cannot run a deficit and have to maintain services as a municipality.”

She added the township has to find a way, other than through residential, commercial and industrial taxation, to support the increased costs of running municipalities.

“So, I support it (the MAT). It’s a bigger picture,” Sayne said.

All four townships have now made decisions about charging a MAT on short-term rentals. Algonquin Highlands, Highlands East and Minden Hills have all set the rate at four per cent. County director of economic development and tourism Scott Ovell said 95 per cent of Ontario municipalities have followed suit, falling short of calling it an “industry standard.” Dysart et al, with mayor Murray Fearrey saying, “Dysart dares to be different” has set its rate at two per cent.



Minden Hills joins Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East in opting for a four per cent MAT tax. Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Ovell has indicated collecting the tax is worth the effort, estimating four per cent could bring more than \$2 million to County coffers - a figure that will lessen with Dysart’s decision. It is not known what the breakdown of that would be for each municipality. He did acknowledge, however, that the math is based on full compliance, whereas they expect 65-70 per cent of STR owners will remit in the first year.

Ovell said the program has mandatory requirements, which include that at least 50 per cent of revenue go to one or more eligible tourism entities that are not-for-

profit. That money must be exclusively used for promoting and developing tourism. A municipal service corporation (MSC) must be created.

The other 50 per cent of revenue goes directly to townships.

“And you can do whatever you choose with that 50 per cent,” Ovell said. “You could apply it to your roads budget, you can apply it to your capital budget. There’s no strings attached to it and it can change year by year as to how you prioritize that funding.”

The short-term rental host will collect the tax and deliver it to Granicus, the company

hired to help the County’s towns with its STR program. It will be for the room rate only, not amenity fees or for parking, internet or cleaning. Bookings prior to the adoption of the MAT will be excluded from paying. It is expected to begin Oct. 1.

As part of next steps, Ovell said towns will have to do public consultation, likely via a survey and talking to stakeholder groups.

He estimated it would take a minimum 18 months from the effective date of the bylaw to when local governments will have a proper understanding of revenue generated through the program.

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Dysart adopts two per cent tax

By Mike Baker

“Dysart dares to be different,” said township mayor Murray Fearrey, shortly after he and his council endorsed an adjusted municipal accommodation tax (MAT) April 23.

That was in response to Scott Ovell, the County’s director of economic development and tourism, who brought Dysart council up to speed on the MAT tax and its potential benefits at council’s monthly meeting.

While Algonquin Highlands, Highlands East and Minden Hills have supported the new bylaw at a four per cent tax rate, Dysart has opted to introduce it at two per cent.

“You’ve done a lot of work on this, and I sincerely appreciate it. I supported it at the start, but I’m starting to think now... I just don’t know how much tax we want to pile onto people,” Fearrey said, proposing the reduced rate.

Ovell said council was within its right to adopt whatever rate it deems fit. Of the 30 or so municipalities in Ontario to embrace a MAT, most have done so at four per cent, Ovell said. He noted the City of Niagara Falls introduced a two per cent MAT in 2022.

The County director had estimated the MAT could boost municipal coffers County-wide by more than \$2 million per year at a four per cent rate. He noted at least 50 per cent of revenues must be allocated to eligible non-profit tourism operators. The County is investigating setting up a municipal services



Coun. Pat Casey supported a two per cent MAT tax in Dysart. *File.*

corporation (MSC) to handle those funds.

Townships would be free to utilize the remaining 50 per cent where they want, Ovell said.

Referencing data from the Ministry of Tourism, collected via short-term rental operators like Airbnb and Vrbo, Ovell said there were more than 150,000 nightly stays in the County in 2023 – up more than 90 per cent from 2019. Fearrey felt those numbers represented peak STR usage in the Highlands and that revenues would be down for most operators this year.

Coun. Pat Casey agreed with Fearrey.

“Everyone’s discretionary income is slowly getting eroded and we don’t want to kill the entrepreneurial spirit of someone making a dollar,” Casey said, noting that money is often reinvested into the community via cottage renovations and downtown shopping.

The MAT is expected to begin Oct. 1. It will be handled by Granicus, an international firm specializing in digital communications and government services, which will also oversee the County’s short-term rental bylaw.

Residence going ahead, no program cuts

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“I think it absolutely makes sense to have a school for fine arts in the community, to have these great programs and to maintain them, especially knowing Haliburton County is a very artistic community itself,” Masse said. “Our campus has a great reputation and a bit of an aura that transcends this community.”

Masse credited the school’s faculty for developing programs that are highly sought each semester.

“I think it’s a big draw – having a high-calibre group of instructors and state-of-the-art studio space... if you look at that combination it makes for quite a unique campus, not only in Ontario but across Canada,” he added.

The dean said he was excited by the changes coming to continuing education. Courses will now run from February to November, expanded from summer-only. Masse said there will be approximately 250 programs available this year, with new offerings in digital media and video game design.

Residence build ongoing

Drew Van Parys, Fleming’s executive vice president of corporate services and marketing, confirmed the college is proceeding with its student residence build in Haliburton.

Workers broke ground on the 47-unit



The new student residence build at Haliburton School of Art + Design is progressing well. *Photo by Mike Baker.*

project in late 2023, but there was concern it could be delayed or cancelled after Adamson, in January, said Fleming would be assessing all options following the federal government’s international student bombshell.

“After a full analysis, it was determined the best path forward was to proceed with this important addition to the Haliburton campus,” Van Parys said. “The federal limits on international students will not have a significant impact on our plans in Haliburton.”

Construction is on-schedule, with Van Parys saying most of the framing work has been completed for the two new

buildings. He said the college is planning for occupancy in early 2025.

The \$16 million project has been described as a “game-changer” by Masse, with the two, three-storey facilities adding to HSAD’s footprint within Glebe Park.

“It’s a massive, massive project for us... that’s why we’re trying to be a little more strategic about our programming, to make sure we have great options for people – because once this residence opens there will be more opportunities for students to come here,” Masse said.

For a full list of program options in Haliburton, visit flemingcollege.ca/school/haliburton-school-of-art-and-design.

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PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



Mike Young sent this photo of a female Hooded Merganser having a stretch near Carnarvon.

NATURE'S CALLING

Making memories on the hunt for turkeys

April 25 is the turkey season opener in Ontario, and as most of you know, it is my favourite time of the year. I understand some folks do not like hunting, and that's okay because everyone has their own opinions. It's the same as my opinion on slaughterhouses.

This year, I took out my girlfriend Victoria, who has been hunting turkeys for five years and has yet to harvest a bird. I made sure to have her come the day before so I could show her something to help her out with next year's hunting. I took her out to watch the turkeys in the fields so she could see their routine. I then showed her how to roost birds; when they fly up into the trees to sleep for the night. She was amazed as she had never seen turkeys roost before. We headed home to have dinner and get our gear ready for the

morning. I then tried to teach her how to use a mouth call to call turkeys. It was funny. However, it happens to everyone who first tries it. The mouth call can initially make you gag until you get used to it, but these are all memories that we were making.

We were up at 4 a.m., made a quick coffee, and got dressed to leave the house at 4:45 a.m. to head to the woods. As we approached my cedar blind, Traviss noticed a tree had fallen on it, which meant we were not sitting there. Plan B: we moved back to the end of the field and set up in the tree line, hoping this would work out for us. We finished setting up and then sat quietly until daylight. It was terrific, and the sound of nature waking up and the sunrise were stunning.

At approximately 5:55 a.m., we watched

five Jakes and a Tom fly out of the trees. Traviss made some calls; at first, they looked interested in something other than our decoys. We sat quietly and waited. After about 15 minutes, the Jakes started coming over to our decoys, and Tom followed them. They were about 20 yards from us when I asked Victoria, "are you ready?" She replied, "yes." I counted three, two, one, and bang. One of the Jakes was down. However, the Tom and the other four Jakes flew. Victoria had missed her bird. We sat quietly as Traviss carefully snuck out to the side of the field to make sure the birds were okay and gone. He reassured her that the bird was fine and that it was a clean miss.

Being this close to turkeys for the first time, she was excited and shaking. These things

happen. We packed up, gave thanks for the Jake that I had harvested, and headed home with my Jake in hand.

It was lovely to share my knowledge of turkey hunting with her and give her a memory that will last a lifetime. Of course, I sent home some meat with her.

Now, on to fishing. In Ontario, the fourth Saturday in April marks the trout opener, and I am definitely excited to hit the water for some fresh trout.

Remember, get outdoors and enjoy nature and all it offers. Make memories.



By Toni Cooper

ALGONQUIN HIGHLAND NEWS

Stanhope hall repaired

Emergency repairs to the main kitchen at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall have been completed, public works manager, Adam Thorn, told council.

Staff found mold growing on an interior wall during a routine maintenance inspection during the winter. After removing countertops, cupboards, and flooring, staff found the mold had spread to other parts of the room.

Thorn said he hired a professional mold remediation company to carry out the work, at an expected cost of between \$12,000 and \$15,000. The money will be drawn from the township's community centre reserve fund.

"It wasn't that bad – it was a good size section of the kitchen that needed to be removed. Good news is we caught it, have cleaned it up, and we should be good now for a while," Thorn said.



AH carried out repairs at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall last month. *File.*

Fleet getting younger

The township has adopted a new policy lowering the replacement age of some fleet vehicles.

Thorn told council he's noticed a significantly increased cost for equipment repairs and replacement in recent years. He

suggested council consider lowering the number of years the township keeps and maintains vehicles before upgrading.

He proposed tandem dump trucks be replaced after eight years, instead of 10, with graders, excavators, and tractors upgraded after 15 years of use, rather than 20. He also

suggested trailers be replaced in 20 years, instead of the current 25.

"Upon analyzing the data from tandem dump trucks, the average repair cost from year one to year 8.5 is approximately \$8,000 a year, whereas the average cost for the final [two] years of the life cycle is approximately

\$21,000 a year," Thorn said.

By selling vehicles earlier in their lifecycle, the township can expect to receive more money for them at auction, Thorn added. *(Algonquin Highlands briefs compiled by Mike Baker).*

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Time for a spit and polish... and trip to the garage

By Kimberly Strong-Knight

Located in the heart of town, Minden Auto Care has been a staple in the community for decades. Owners Dennis and Lori Pennie are no strangers to the auto care industry, having owned their own shop, Alcona Car Care, for more than 10 years as well as European Tech Automotive in Barrie.

Dennis apprenticed under previous owner, Dave Howell, before taking over the business a few years ago.

"Having worked under Dave as an apprentice, he was thinking of selling it and approached me to see if I was interested," Dennis said. Howell sold the business to Pennie and his wife about three years ago.

Dennis is the lead mechanic while Lori shares reception duty. "Usually, around the beginning of April, is when we start getting the calls for changing tires over," said Lori. "While we have the tires off, the mechanic checks the brakes and has an overall look."

Before any of that happens, though, the mechanic takes the car for a test drive. "They listen for any unusual sounds, and get a feel for the general wellness of the vehicle," Lori explained.

Obviously, this time of year the business of changing tires from winter to summer is what is foremost in everyone's mind, and usually, an oil change accompanies the tire change, along with a few other things.

"We check the brakes as well as the rest of the front end to make sure everything that needs to be tight, is tight," said Lori. "Winter driving and potholes take their toll." They also check fluid levels and filters as part of the general going over.

A few tips that customers can keep in mind as the warmer weather comes, other than changing tires, include giving the car a good clean inside and out. Salt build-up on and under the car can cause rust and other damage to the body and the undercarriage. While in clean-up mode, make sure to wash the winter tires before storing them. This will help prevent corrosion from the winter road salt.

Tires aren't the only thing that should be changed, windshield wipers can also get damaged during the winter months from the snow and ice. Spring is a good time to change them if they haven't been in the past year.



Apprentice Cayde Harnum, left, and owner and lead mechanic, Dennis Pennie during a tire swap.

Checking your lights is also a good thing to include on the list. Even though the days are getting longer and brighter, it is still important to be visible to other drivers on the road. Headlights, low and high beams, back lights, brake lights, running lights, signal lights, and don't forget the license plate light.

So, a bit of spit and polish and a visit to the local shop will get your favorite ride ready for those long, snow-free roads ahead.



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A little kombucha at the Castle

By Lisa Gervais

Castle Antiques continues to morph, with Nectr Kombucha joining the Schleifenbaum family in downtown Haliburton.

Lucas Esson, of Nectr Kombucha, said The Nectr Hive (brewery) will relocate to the corner of Maple and Highland streets, where a new, dedicated space at Castle Antiques will not only brew, but also showcase the kombucha process to the public.

Esson and Anna Lowes (her married name), of Castle Antiques, said the collaboration brings together Nectr's "innovative" kombucha brewing and Castle Antiques' "rich heritage, blending a unique mix of vintage charm and modern wellness in a historic setting."

Esson said, "partnering with Anna and Castle Antiques not only aligns with our vision, but also elevates our ability to craft exceptional kombucha."

Lowes added, "integrating Nectr's brewing operation into Castle Antiques provides a fantastic opportunity for visitors to engage with the art of kombucha-making. We're thrilled to bring this experience to Haliburton and further enrich the health and vitality of our community."

The two businesses are planning a future launch event but the date has yet to be determined.

At Castle April 23, work on the space on the parking lot side of the building is continuing. Lowes provides a tour, saying her former office is being converted into

two areas; a fermentation room and a space where the boilers and finishing occurs. There are windows looking into the kombucha rooms.

"You'll be able to see what's going on as it's happening," Lowes said.

She said there will be different flavours available at only Castle, limited runs and seasonal runs, as well as flights of kombucha to try "and just have a lot of fun with it."

Lowes said it fits in nicely, as Castle Antiques is now more than just an antique shop; combining vintage antiques with modern wellness via a vegan and gluten-free café. It is also now home to Paquito Loco and The Music Room.

Since its founding in 2020, Nectr Kombucha has grown from Haliburton County's first commercial kombucha producer to a brand available in more than 40 locations.

Esson said they were moving over this week from Little Hawk Lake Resort. Then, it will take another couple of weeks to get up-and-running. "Within the next couple of weeks, we'll be producing in there."

"I think it will be really good. I've always had an idea of having a central location. I think it will be really nice for the community to see inside the process. But also with Castle Antiques, there are so many people coming through here. When they're able to see that it's made right here by us... they'll feel more of a connection and be more likely to try it out."



Lucas Esson with Anna Lowes and baby Rourke, at Castle Antiques Photo by Lisa Gervais.

Esson has done most of the work the last four years, with help from summer students, so he will welcome Lowes' staff to help out. It will allow him to focus more on marketing.

Esson actually reached out to Lowes. She's "loved his product since day one." They were the first business to stock his kombucha. "It makes sense here," Lowes said.

Esson and Lowes said the grand opening "promises to be a vibrant celebration of the partnership, featuring kombucha tastings, live music, and a look at the new facility. This event will be an excellent opportunity for the community to engage with the process behind Nectr Kombucha and enjoy the unique atmosphere of Castle Antiques."

Francis Thomas Contracting blows out 90 candles

By Lisa Gervais

Francis Thomas Contracting (FTC) has turned 90 years old, celebrating with a gathering at its Carnarvon headquarters April 25.

The business is the longest-running, family-operated, contractor in the Haliburton Highlands.

In 1934, the beginning of FTC was simple, customers needed access to building sites and their properties. The business quickly evolved to building foundations and septic systems.

In the mid-1980s, Francis' grandson, Keith, joined and eventually took his position at the helm.

Today, FTC has 53 team members and supplies more than 150,000 tonnes of aggregate a year. The company also installs more than 50 sewage systems annually and provides snow removal services to more than 400 properties.

"We're honoured to celebrate 90 years of business in the Haliburton Highlands this year," Keith, who is president of the company, said.

"We are known for quality work, reliability and having a trusted team who not only work in the community but live here as well – the passion they have for quality work and the relationships the team has with our customers has been the key to our success."

FTC has a deep-rooted, rich history.

"When my grandfather and great-grandfather founded the company in 1934, their collective vision was not only to support the family but also for the business to become integral to our local area," Keith says. "I believe we've been able to carry on that tradition through regional involvement in a number of ways."

Keith was a member of the Algonquin Highlands fire department for more than 35 years, and Keith's son and team member, Brandon Thomas, has served with the department for more than 15 years. The business is also a member of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce and the Haliburton County Home Builders' Association. The company is active with industry-specific organizations that assist in shaping the future of the building industry.

At the celebration last week, warden Liz Danielsen said starting a company in a small rural community, and having it grow and thrive into its 90th year, "is rather extraordinary."

She added Algonquin Highlands loves having FTC within its borders, as does the County of Haliburton. She congratulated the Thomas' and their employees, and brought greetings, and a certificate, from MPP Laurie Scott.

Keith added, "I'm sure when Francis started this, he didn't expect it to do this. It draws on the heartstrings a little bit."



Top: Susan and Keith Thomas with warden Liz Danielsen. Above: Keith Thomas at the Francis Thomas Contracting quarry off of North Shore Road. Photos by Lisa Gervais.

Bringing a little Mustard to the stage

By Kimberly Strong-Knight

Highlands youth theatre company, Ctrl-ART-Del, is bringing its second offering of 2024 - *Mustard*, to the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton May 2-4.

For those unfamiliar with the play, it is not about the condiment, but a dark comedy that blurs the lines between reality and imagination to save a family from its own destruction.

Kat Sandler is a Canadian playwright who won the 2016 Dora Mavor Moore Award for outstanding new play for this magical bedtime story about friendship, love, desire, growing up and moving on.

Mustard is an imaginary friend of Thai. The premise of the play is that we are all born with an imaginary friend that sticks around for a few years and then goes away. Thai is 16 and her imaginary friend, *Mustard*, is still around. The idea is she isn't able to grow up because *Mustard* hasn't moved on. The longer he stays, the more visible he gets, until one day Thai's mother can see him too. The plot twist comes as *Mustard* is falling in love with Thai's mom.

Amy Leis, co-founder of the theatre company, and producer for *Mustard*, said the play fits right in with the company's mission to find and present more contemporary and edgy plays.

Leis outlined one of the biggest goals for the company is to provide opportunities for

young people to be in positions of creative power.

"Our core six co-founders are in their 20s and 30s. We will be running the show for the next five years but, we are trying to replace ourselves right now so, a big emphasis is on providing education on-stage and behind the scenes," she said. "This is so young people in this community can see themselves in producing-type roles and directing-type roles."

They believe that young people need to see themselves, and their world, reflected on-stage. "There are other theatre companies in the area, however they primarily produce older, or more family-oriented content, and we felt there was a gap," Leis said. "Especially content that was representative of the stories of young people, and teenagers, rather than stories of the past."

Tim Nicholson is the company's artistic, and this play's, director.

"Everybody is saying they really are enjoying it, on-stage and behind the scenes." He added it is important to have a good tech crew behind every production. "I can't do anything without the people behind me, supporting me. It is a totally thankless job. People come in who are really interested and care, are dead keen to get it right, and do a good job."

Tickets can be purchased in advance online at tickets.ctrlartdel.ca or cash purchase at the door. For ages 14 and up.



Christine Carr (Saddie) and Olivia Humphries (Thai) rehearse for the upcoming production of *Mustard*. Photo by Kimberly Strong-Knight.

Sound of music reverberates through Canoe

By Mike Baker

For the past year, CanoeFM has been offering local musicians the chance to record new material in a professional environment without having to leave Haliburton County.

The non-profit community radio station has created a recording studio at its office on Mountain Street in Haliburton. People wanting to make new music, recording a keepsake for friends and family, or putting together a podcast, can rent out the space for \$20 an hour.

Station manager Roxanne Casey said the studio has brought a whole new element to Canoe's regular operations.

"There are lots of private recording studios up here, but there's nothing like this. I feel we're plugging a pretty sizable gap in the community. Musicians don't necessarily need to leave our County to record their music," she said. "We just want to get the word out, so people know this space is here."

Since launching in February 2023, Casey said around 25 people have utilized the studio. It was also used to record *The Importance of Being Earnest* – which aired on Canoe's Radio Playhouse last summer.

The project, which cost approximately \$70,000, had been in the works for several years. The station's former board chair, Paul Vorvis, floated the idea in early 2022, believing space in Canoe's meeting room could be repurposed and better utilized.

They secured \$35,000 from the Community Radio Fund of Canada towards renovations and used proceeds from radio bingo to pay for the rest.

There are acoustic panels fitted on the walls, new speakers, and a new computer set-up, kitted with programs like Logic Pro, to streamline the recording process. Musicians should bring their own instruments. Laurie Sweig, one of the lead volunteers at the studio, said people have brought in guitars, a cello, viola, and a keyboard.

People looking to mimic sounds of a specific instrument can use a MIDI controller Canoe has purchased. It replicates sounds using online software, which can be layered within a final recording.

"My dream for this place is that anyone who is too shy to go to a professional studio, has a song they recorded in their basement on their phone, to come here and put a professional version together," Sweig said. "There's a lot of talented people in this community. I think this new space is providing opportunities for musicians to get their foot in the door at an affordable rate."

Casey said there's an option for musicians to record music at the studio and then submit it for broadcast on Canoe's airwaves.

Bethany Houghton was introduced to the studio about a year ago. She and her husband, Ernie Demuth, have played there



Laurie Sweig said the possibilities are endless for people wanting to make music at CanoeFM's new recording studio. Photo by Mike Baker.

twice and plan to record an album.

"I really enjoy the atmosphere – Laurie is great, really encouraging. And knowledgeable. She makes it really easy for people to go in there and do their thing," Houghton said.

Michele Swyer utilized the studio for an instrumental piece featuring piano, cello, violin, and viola, earlier this year.

"It was magical hearing it back for the first time. I didn't think my song could get any better," she said. "The studio is pretty impressive. Recording was fun because you can experiment with so many different

things... we have a real treasure here with this new space."

Sweig said more volunteers are needed if this studio is to grow. Training is provided for free.

"I'd like to see us busier, building our volunteer team, and getting more people comfortable enough to do recordings," she said.

People looking to book a time to record need to fill out an application and schedule a pre-recording meeting. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Sweig at thestudio@canoe.fm.

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Walleye numbers trending downward

By Lisa Gervais

Lake Kashagawigamog Chain walleye have completed their annual spawning run on the Drag River below the Emmerson Dam in Haliburton.

Once again, Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association (HHOA) volunteers counted the spawning fish.

The effort is part of the HHOA's Walleye Watch Program that was reinstated in 2021 to help rehabilitate the lake chain walleye fishery. This year, HHOA volunteers counted 1,007 walleyes over 29 nights. Last year, 1,438 were recorded.

Dan Smith, president of the HHOA, said, "unfortunately, spawning walleye numbers have declined in recent years. Prior to 2015, when the HHOA was actively assisting the spawn, as many as 6,000 fish were counted per year at the site. In the last four years, we've counted an average of around 1,450 fish per year. The walleye have a lot working against them."

The original program began in the early 2000s and ran for 15 years. During that time, the HHOA worked with the MNRF to harvest Drag River walleye eggs from spawning fish and hatch them in the HHOA fish hatchery. Walleye fingerlings were then returned to the chain. This effort helped ensure more walleye survived the spawn. Unfortunately, said Smith, walleye stocking was stopped in 2015 and current Fisheries Management Zone 15 rules prohibit the HHOA from assisting the fishery. The Drag



Underwater pictures of walleye spawning in the Drag River below the dam. Photos taken by Elian Grigore, HHOA volunteer.

River site is considered one of the most important walleye spawning areas in the region.

The spawning walleye face many other challenges as well, Smith said. He noted Black Crappie were illegally introduced to the Kashagawigamog system and are known to feast on immature walleye. Additionally, after the walleye deposit their eggs, it is critical that water levels and flow below the

private Emmerson dam remain consistent for at least two weeks after the spawn ends. Without proper water flow, the walleye eggs can be exposed and the spawn will not be successful. HHOA lobbies Parks Canada every year to maintain the water levels, but that effort has not always been successful.

The HHOA conducted an angling survey of the chain of lakes in 2021. Of those responding, 82 per cent cited a significant

decline in walleye fishing on the chain.

The HHOA helps create, maintain, and enhance local fisheries. Its mission is to help residents and visitors to the Haliburton Highlands enjoy angling opportunities while practicing good conservation. Since 1998, the HHOA has raised and stocked over 800,000 fish in local lakes. For more information on the HHOA and the program go to: hhoa.on.ca/news.



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Attendees were encouraged to embrace their inner spirit at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion April 27 as Razzamataz Kids' Shows wrapped up its 2023/24 season with an Indigenous performance from the Dancers of Damelahamid – a professional tour group from British Columbia. Bringing its 'Spirit and Tradition' show to Haliburton County, the group broached key themes like reciprocity and ecological sustainability, while conveying important cultural teachings in balance, interconnectedness, and community. Dancers wore traditional Indigenous clothing and utilized different animal masks, projected imagery and LED puppets throughout the show.

Performers from the Dancers of Damelahamid, a BC-based Indigenous group, brought its 'Spirit and Tradition' show to life on-stage in Haliburton last weekend. *Photos by Mike Baker.*



Top: The winners from the Haliburton Legion's 2024 Remembrance Day literary and poster contest. Above left: Carolyn Millard and Mike Waller hosted the Haliburton Legion's 2024 Remembrance Day literary and poster contest awards ceremony. Above middle: Eden Kuepfer won first place in the colour poster contest for students in Grade 1 to 3. Above right: Pearl Mansfield was among the youth honoured in the black and white poster contest. *Photos by Mike Baker.*

Students celebrated for honouring vets

By Mike Baker

Carolyn Millard has a lifetime of stories to remember her dad, many from his time as a submarine detector with the Canadian forces during the Second World War.

Speaking at the Haliburton Legion's youth awards night April 26, Millard said her father, Jim, was one of the thousands to enlist with the Royal Canadian Navy volunteer reserve after war broke out in Europe in 1939. He documented his service in a series of memoirs that Millard still reads today.

"Accounts of the heroic acts of bravery of the men and women who served are plentiful, however, records written by youth telling their versions of growing up in war times are few in comparison," Millard said, noting how people today would have a better idea of how

children felt during the war effort.

"Although we may try to imagine it, children and youth lived through times during the wars that few of us can relate to," she added.

With ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and Israel, Millard noted war is still rife. That's why she feels it's important for youth to embrace history and participate in these contests.

The tradition has been running for more than 20 years, with the legion encouraging students from Stuart Baker and J.D. Hodgson elementary schools and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School to honour the sacrifices of Canadian veterans through personalized works.

There were 61 submissions this year. Evelyn Vanderstarre won first place in the

senior poem contest for Grades 10 to 12, with her submission also placing second in the zone competition. Mazey Robinson won the intermediate contest, for children in Grades 7, 8 and 9, with Valla Berry placing first in the junior category, covering Grades 4 to 6.

Brody Bolger won the local senior essay contest, with his piece also finishing first at zone and second at district. Annika Gervais won the intermediate award.

There were a lot of submissions for the colour photo contest, Millard said. Annabelle Borgdorff won the senior category, also placing second at zone; Alivia Brown won at the intermediate level, also placing second at zone; Jaime Holwell came tops among junior submissions, placing third at zone; and Eden Kuepfer won the primary competition, for

Grades 1 to 3, also placing third at zone.

The black and white poster contest saw Jax Bradley win the local senior competition and place second at zone; Claire Lynch win at intermediate; Grace Wilson placing first in junior; and Pearl Mansfield winning primary and zone, while placing third at district.

Waller said it was a great night, with more than 50 people attending.

"It's fantastic that so many young people are taking the time to do this – the veterans appreciate it so much seeing what they've done, the kids showing they still care. It's a great thing," Waller said. "I always say, if it wasn't for what our veterans did, and are still doing now, we wouldn't have the life we all do today. It's important to recognize their sacrifices."

Fly into spring with Stanhope airport bash

By Mike Baker

Pilot Keith Francis says there's a world of untapped potential in the aviation industry for County-based youth chasing a lucrative career, or hobbyists looking for a new adventure.

Stanhope Municipal Airport is hosting a public fly-in May 4, with Francis – a member of Algonquin Highlands' airport advisory committee – saying the event is designed to educate the community about flying.

"It's an amazing skill, to be able to fly – a lot of people assume it's one of those things they'll never be able to do, that it's too complicated or too expensive. We want to dispel those myths a bit and show people what's possible if you're passionate and are willing to put in the work."

There are lots of job opportunities, Francis said, with most major airlines hiring for mechanics and pilots. Apprenticeships are readily available for youth out of high school, he added.

"I like to tell people if they can fix a snowmobile or a boat, they can fix a plane," he said.

Francis has had his flying license since he was 18. He remembers selling his first car to pay for some air time when he was starting out. The thrill he got from being in the cockpit, gliding through the sky, was unlike anything he'd experienced before. He was hooked.

Francis estimates it takes approximately 50 hours of training, and between \$15,000 and \$20,000, to secure a license. Those who want to fly commercially typically spend an extra

couple of years perfecting their technique.

The closest flight school is in Lindsay, though Francis noted the committee was working to bring one to Haliburton County.

The fly-in will see pilots bring all kinds of aircraft to the Highlands. Francis said there will be five to 10 classic planes available for people to tour, including a 1995 Antonov An-2, CT-156 Harvard II – used by the Royal Canadian Air Force for training during the Second World War, and old-school single engine planes such as the de Havilland Canada's DHC-1 Chipmunk and DHC-2 Beaver.

Fisher said there will be model airplanes available for people to fly, volunteers will lead tours of parked aircraft, while anyone looking to get a taste of life in the sky can register for plane and helicopter rides. Algonquin Highlands public works and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry staff will bring equipment onto the runway for people to see.

Food will be available from Till Death BBQ, K Pub Chicken, and Into the Blue pizza food truck. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Algonquin Highlands mayor Liz Danielsen said it will be a great day and encouraged the community to attend.

"Events at the airport are making a comeback after being on pause since the pandemic. We are committed to offering a welcome and fun space for local families and visitors to enjoy, while promoting aviation to our youth," Danielsen said.



Pilots fly from all over southern Ontario to showcase their planes. *File.*

Membership Recruitment

Cultural Resources Committee

The Municipality of Dysart et al is inviting applications from the public for two volunteer representatives on the Cultural Resources Committee for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Council term.

The Dysart et al Cultural Resources Committee is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the Municipal Cultural Plan. Visit www.dysartetal.ca/culture for information about the Cultural Plan. The Committee provides advice to Council on local art, culture and heritage. It is a forum for local art and culture organizations to share information and work cooperatively towards common goals.

Applicants must be residents of Dysart et al. The Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of February, May, August, and November at 10 a.m. Applicants must be comfortable with videoconferencing technology (Zoom) and electronic agendas. Visit www.dysartetal.ca/careers for more information about this opportunity.

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May 7, 6 to 7 p.m.

Join the Minden and District Horticultural Society youth garden club at the Minden Community Centre as volunteers work to get the pollinator garden ready for the new season. The club is aimed towards children in Grade 2 or higher who want to explore their interest in all things that grow.

May 7, 6:30 p.m.

The Minden and District Horticultural Society will have its next meeting at the Minden Community Centre, with speaker, Liz Case, discussing how to best grow your own vegetables from seeds. All are welcome.

May 8, 1 p.m.

Beth Archibald, palliative care patient navigator at HHHS will be speaking on advance care directives, end of life decisions, and palliative care at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton.

May 8, 2 p.m.

The Haliburton Sculpture Forest and Haliburton BIA welcomes the public to join them in unveiling this year's Downtown Haliburton Sculpture Exhibition. Starting at Rails End Gallery, organizers will lead a tour through the downtown to see sculpture locations. There are eight pieces included in this year's exhibit. Artists will be on-hand to provide a brief talk about their art.

May 8, 7 to 9 p.m.

The Haliburton County Community Cooperative is bringing its Speaker Series back to the Haliburton fish hatchery, with this month's guest

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May 11, 9:30 a.m.

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association is hosting its annual general meeting at the Haliburton Legion. There will be an election for new directors. Come and meet the team. Everyone welcome. For more information, contact 705-457-4263 or info@hcsa.ca.

May 11, 10 a.m. to noon.

Join Belinda Gallagher and Michele Swyer to explore the woods and fields of Barnum Creek Nature Reserve. We'll hike approximately two to three kilometres of trails, learn about the sustainable harvesting of leeks, and observe many spring wildflowers. Admission by donation. Registration required through haliburtonlandtrust.ca, or by calling 705-457-3700.

May 16, 5 p.m.

Celebrate International Museum Day with a special screening of 'Totem: The Return of the G'psglox Pole' at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. The documentary chronicles the heartfelt journey of the Haisla people of British Columbia who reclaimed a sacred totem pole years after it had been taken from their community. All are welcome.

May 18, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library are holding a mega book sale at the Minden Hills branch in the book nook and fireplace area. There will be a huge selection of books for all interests and ages. Payment is by donation and all money raised supports library branches throughout Haliburton County.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS**Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 129****Haliburton weekly activities**

Mondays: Bridge at 1 p.m. in the Schofield Rm.

Tuesdays: League darts 7 p.m.

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Thursdays: General meeting third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. & ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

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Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 519**Coboconk**

Second Monday of the month: General meeting - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays: Euchre - 1 p.m. Open Darts - 7 p.m.

First Wednesday of the month: Big Buck Bid Euchre from 11 a.m. \$15 per person.

Saturdays: Meat Roll at 3 p.m.

May 5: 1 p.m. Elections.

May 18: 2 p.m. Elimination draw, Grand prize is \$600. Tickets are \$10. BBQ and live entertainment throughout the day.

For more information contact Legion 705-454-8127

Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624**Wilberforce**

May 2: Open 2 to 6 p.m.

May 3: Open 2 to 9 p.m. Fish and chips 5 to 8 p.m.

May 4: Open 2 to 6 p.m. House league darts 2 to 6 p.m. Meat draw at 3 p.m.

May 5 - 7: Closed

May 8: Open 2 to 6 p.m. Darts at 2 p.m.

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The following positions are available with the municipality:

- (1) Sewage Disposal System Maintenance Program Assistant (Building Department- 16 weeks; 35 hours/week)
- (1) Information Centre Student (Economic Development Department – 16 weeks; 35 hours/week)
- (1) Cemetery Database Student (Parks & Property Department – 16 weeks; 35 hours/week)

Please note, for positions where you may be required to drive in the execution of your duties, a Class G2 or G Driver's Licence is mandatory. You will also be required to provide an acceptable driver's abstract and a criminal reference check.

The positions listed above are available from the beginning of May through to the end of August for a total of 16 weeks.

If you are interested in receiving a more detailed job description for one of the positions noted above, please email bmccaw@highlandseast.ca requesting a copy of the specific posting.

If you are interested in applying, applications **clearly marked with the position you are applying for** may be submitted on or before 12:00 p.m, Monday, May 6th, 2024, via mail, in person, fax or email. Interested applicants may submit their resume, in confidence to:

Brittany McCaw, CAO/Treasurer
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**The County of Haliburton
is currently recruiting for a:
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Successful applicant will possess a G licence and have experience in manual labour positions. DZ licence is an asset. The hourly rate is \$19.42. This is a unionized CUPE position.

Visit our website at www.haliburtoncounty.ca/careers for a detailed posting and job description.

Please forward your resume to pweiss@haliburtoncounty.ca no later than May 10, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.

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**The Corporation of the County of Haliburton
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Permanent Truck Driver/Equipment Operator**

Truck Driver/Equipment Operators are responsible for the safe operation of heavy equipment such as a trucks, backhoes, loaders, and wing plows. This position is responsible for maintaining roads, ditching, excavating culverts, and brushing.

Successful applicants will possess an AZ licence and have experience operating heavy equipment. This position requires an ability to work on call hours and respond to short notice call ins, and good judgment and communication skills. The hourly rate for this unionized CUPE position is \$27.80. This position includes participation in the OMERS defined benefit pension program and employer paid extended health benefits.

Visit our website at www.haliburtoncounty.ca/careers for a more detailed posting and job description.

Please forward your resume to pweiss@haliburtoncounty.ca no later than May 14, 2024, at 4:30pm.

We thank all who apply for this position; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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**The Municipality of Highlands East Is Currently Seeking A
Full-Time, General Equipment Operator (40 Hrs/Week)
In the Public Works Department
Rate of Pay - \$26.35**

Reporting to the **Operations Supervisor**, the successful candidate will be responsible for operating trucks and other heavy equipment in the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in the Municipality's road system. Provides a variety of construction, snow/ice removal, maintenance and repair services to municipal roads and equipment.

To apply you must possess;

- 2 to 3 years' experience in the operation of heavy equipment used by the Municipality;
- Grade 12 education, or equivalent;
- A valid AZ or DZ driver's Licence;
- Course work in welding would be considered an asset;
- Chainsaw license would be considered an asset.

A copy of the job description is available upon request or on the Highlands East website at www.highlandseast.ca.

Applications **clearly marked "Application -General Equipment Operator"** may be submitted on or before 12:00 p.m, Wednesday, May 8th, 2024, via mail, in person, fax or email. Interested applicants may submit their resume, including references, in confidence to:

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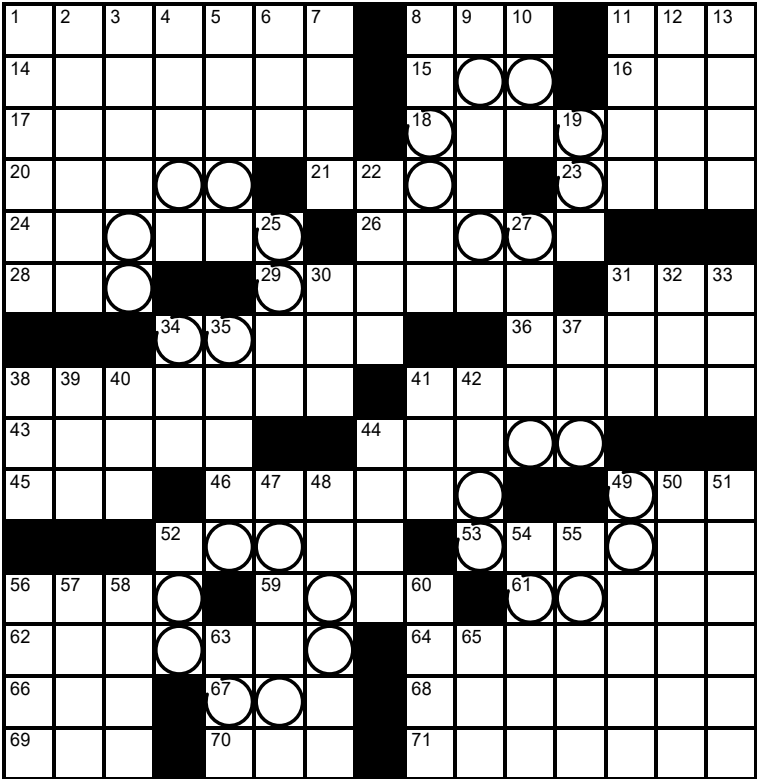
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- Across**
- 1 Stats yet to be analyzed
 - 8 "Chandelier" singer
 - 11 Cheerleader's attribute
 - 14 Works well, as glue
 - 15 Web access co.
 - 16 "I've got it!"
 - 17 Duffer's second chances
 - 18 Take advantage of, as a sale
 - 20 Shimerman of "Deep Space Nine"
 - 21 Northwest Territory First Nation
 - 23 Town crier's delivery
 - 24 Go back to the drawing board
 - 26 Jockey's handful
 - 28 Sizzling sound
 - 29 "You left me no choice"
 - 31 Wool of ___ (Weird Sisters' ingredient)
 - 34 Works like a beaver, at times
 - 36 Sauce brand that's Italian for "you're welcome"
 - 38 Rapturous joy
 - 41 Musclebound brawler
 - 43 Street jargon
 - 44 Trolley sound
 - 45 ___-Kan (dog food brand)
 - 46 My friend in Marseilles?
 - 49 Film buff's network, briefly
 - 52 Fey and Turner
 - 53 RCA pooch
 - 56 No longer torn
 - 59 Head & Shoulders rival
 - 61 One Direction singer Horan
 - 62 "Hidden" motives
 - 64 "... sew ___ pulling thread..."
 - 66 ___ v. Wade
 - 67 High-IBU brew
 - 68 Musical hit lists
 - 69 Put to Quora
 - 70 Slapshot target
 - 71 Mexican states

- Down**
- 1 Echolocation systems
 - 2 Loves, loves, loves!
 - 3 Totally trounces
 - 4 The one "in the details"

- 5 Hockey mom's hangout
- 6 Three times, in an Rx
- 7 Evaluated: Abbr.
- 8 Spoke with one's hands?
- 9 Cry from an eagle-eye
- 10 Fitting
- 11 Glazier's output
- 12 Website for a DIYer
- 13 Pots' partners
- 19 Connections to bigshots
- 22 Victoria and Elizabethan
- 25 Vardalos and Long
- 27 "___ intended"
- 30 The open road: Abbr.
- 31 Would-___ (wishful ones)
- 32 Obit detail, often
- 33 The Argos, on a scoreboard
- 34 Texter's quick good-bye
- 35 Wynonna's mother
- 37 Fix badly?
- 38 Beast with a bugle call
- 39 U.S. spy org.
- 40 Cousin of Madtv
- 41 Anti-racist movement, briefly
- 42 Shower in the outdoors
- 44 ___ the joint
- 47 Recorded, as '70s music
- 48 Henpecks non-stop
- 49 Used a digging tool
- 50 "___, we won't go!" (anti-draft chant)
- 51 At the most
- 52 TV's Spike, once
- 54 Likely to bungle
- 55 Sculpted Virgin Mary
- 56 ___ Lee (cake name)
- 57 Cause of a band breakup, often
- 58 Seven-day span
- 60 Being waited on?
- 63 It's such a racket
- 65 Words of denial



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